
Program Memorandum Intermediaries

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CHANGE REQUEST 1753

SUBJECT: New Patient Status Codes

The National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) has revised the UB-92, Form Locator 22 (and equivalent electronic formats), Patient Status, to include two new Patient Status Codes, effective January 1, 2002. They are as follows:

- 62 Discharged/transferred to another rehabilitation facility including rehabilitation distinct part units of a hospital.
- 63 Discharged/transferred to a long term care hospital.

These new codes, previously included as part of Patient Status Code 05, discharged/transferred to another facility, will allow discharge status to be more specifically coded and will be particularly useful in the implementation of Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System (IRFPPS).

NOTE: Although these codes will be in the Medicare Code Editor (MCE) and Grouper software for the next release (October 1, 2001), the codes are not effective until January 1, 2002.

Inform the providers you service of these changes.

The *effective date* for this Program Memorandum (PM) is January 1, 2002.

The *implementation date* for this PM is January 1, 2002.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after January 1, 2003.

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